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CHICAGO BROILER/FRYER

PRELIMINARY FOR DELIVERY THE WEEK OF 14-FEB-2005

RANGE MAJORITY WTD. AVG. LOADS

UC CDADE A 50.74 CO CC CE 00 OC

US GRADE A 59-74 63-66 65.82 29

FRIDAY PRELIM. WTD. AVG.:

GEORGIA FOB DOCK PRICES

73.54

WEDNESDAY 73.75

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed preliminary weighted average price

on ice packed parts:

WTD. AVG. VOLUME **ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER** ITEM (CENTS PER POUND) (000 POUNDS) UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 12-Feb-05 **Current Week** Previous Week LINE RUN TENDERS 169.00 1.288 Broiler/fryer 159.891 163.612 BREASTS - B/S 162.50 5.704 **BREASTS - WHOLE** 86.50 1,349 THIGH MEAT - B/S 94.00 995 **LEG QUARTERS** 31.50 6,999 **WINGS** 123.50 2,951

<u>MIDWEST</u> Preliminary majority prices for next week's trade into the Chicago market area were unchanged from last Monday's final. Whole broiler/fryers market tone was steady. Small bird offerings very light, larger weights light to moderate for light to fair trade call. Retail demand was spotty, slow to fair for most part. Food service covered the whole range, best into fast food and anticipation of good demand into restaurants for weekend. Floor stocks short to fully adequate with weights trending heavy. Parts interest was moderate on dark meat cuts, very light on breast cuts outside of tenders. Supplies of leg quarters, thighs, dark meats, and tenderloins were in balance to close; wings available and remaining items ample. The trade sentiment was fully steady to firm on dark meat cuts and tenderloins; steady with a weak undertone on wings; barely steady to weak on breast items.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US

GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 11, 2005

	CURRENT	LAST	SAME WEEK		CURRENT	LAST	SAME WEEK
8-16 LB HENS	WEEK	WEEK	YEAR AGO	16-24 LB TOMS	WEEK	WEEK	YEAR AGO
EASTERN REGION	66.70**	67.00**	61.50**	EASTERN REGION	63.00**	63.50**	58.70**
CENTRAL REGION	65.90**	66.00**	63.00	CENTRAL REGION	62.40**	62.50**	59.00
WESTERN REGION	66.70**	68.00**	62.00**	WESTERN REGION	63.40**	64.00**	59.00**

^{**}BASED ON OFFERS

LIVE POULTRY SI	LTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTIO	<u>LIVE TURKEYS SL</u>	LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED		
WEEK ENDING 5-Feb-2005 (PRELIMINARY)			YOUNG	YOUNG	
YOUNG CHICKENS			HENS	TOMS	
THOUSANDS			THOUSANDS		
Head	156,566	Head	1,483	2,574	
Avg Wt	5.35	Avg Wt	15.61	38.53	
Last week	157,768	Last week	1,502	2,533	
Same wk yr ago	153,788	Same wk yr ago	1,669	2,403	
Avg Wt	5.22	Avg Wt	15.39	36.82	
To-date/2005	783,446	To-date/2005	7,794	12,654	
To-date/2004	768,502	To-date/2004	8,365	12,118	

FRESH PORK CUTS			FRESH BEEF CUTS		
FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG	FOB Negotiated	PRICE RANGE	WTD AVG
Loin					
1/8" Trm/less 21#DN-LGT	120.00	120.00	112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	441.60 470.31	447.51
BNLS Strap-on 5-11#	152.00	152.00	168 3 Round, top inside round	178.64 200.56	186.74
Trimmed Butt			180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, 0x1	442.15 485.00	457.59
1/4" Trim Stk Rdy	99.00	99.00	Ground Beef 81%	136.93 155.00	143.83
SPARERIB					
3BAG/3 PCVAC4 25#/DN-LGT	141 00	141 00			

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